

(b) Government's budgetary allocations on educations as per cent of GDP for the years 2004-05, 2005-06 and in 2006-07; and

(c) the breakup of Central expenditure on education in GDP for primary, secondary and higher education?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWAR!): (a) to (c) The public expenditure on education as a percentage of GDP for the years 2004-05 and 2005-06 are 3.68 and 3.72 respectively. The Central Government's Budgetary allocation on education as a percentage of GDP was 0.56% and 0.73% for the years 2004-05 and 2005-06 respectively. The break-up of Central Plan expenditure as a percentage of GDP for Elementary, Secondary and Higher education sectors for the years 2004-05 and 2005-06 is as follows:—

(Rs. in crore)

Sectors	2004-05		2005-06	
	Expenditure	Expenditure as percentage of GDP	Expenditure	Expenditure as percentage of GDP
Elementary Education	7710.18	0.27	11787.74	0.37
Secondary Education	652.29	0.02	810.65	0.03
Higher Education	810.65	0.03	843.58	0.03

Campuses of foreign universities

446. SHRI PENUMALLI MADHU: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Foreign Universities and Institutions have applied for setting up campuses in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether his Ministry has prepared any policy to regulate these institutions?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) and (b) According to the information furnished by All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE), seventy applications have been received from Foreign Education Providers for imparting technical education in India in collaboration with Indian Education Providers.

(c) All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) has notified a Regulation in May, 2005 for the Entry and Operation of Foreign Universities/ Institutions intending to impart Technical Education in India. A policy on regulating Entry and Operation of Foreign Education Institutions is under consideration of the Government.

Outsourcing of NCERT books

†447. SHRI PYARELAL KHANDELWAL: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the management of NCERT is outsourcing the work of writing books;
- (b) whether it is also a fact that these agencies are being paid much higher than the prescribed amount;
- (c) if not, the details of the last three years;
- (d) the argument of NCERT for non allocation of writing work to its own staff;
- (e) whether Government propose to conduct a high level enquiry of such irregularities prevalent in the said institution; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof alongwith the time by which it is likely to be started and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MD. ALI ASHRAF FATMI): (a) No, Sir. Instead of individual authors writing textbooks, preparation of National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT) textbooks has been entrusted to Textbook Development Committees, consisting of some of the best

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.